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DEPT. PASS TO DOD/OSD - SLOCOMBE AND NSC/HUBERMAN

E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: TSPA, UN

SUBJECT: UN OSC S&T SC- DEBATE ON MILITARY USE OF SATELLITES

1. IN THE OPENING STATEMENT OF JAPAN REFERENCE WAS MADE TO THE DESIRABILITY OF CONTROLS ON MILITARY USES OF SATELLITES, SEE REFTEL (A). IN GENERAL DEBATE FEB. 17, BRAZIL, MEXICO AND VENEZUELA PICKED UP ON THIS THEME AND URGED CONTROLS ON OR PROHIBITION OF MILITARY USES OF SATELLITES, SEE REFTEL (B). SOV DEL THEN DECLARED USSR IS IN ALL RESPECTS IN STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH TERMS OF 1967 OST ON PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE AND EXPRESSED VIEW THAT STATMENTS (OF LA'S FEB 17) WERE QUOTE IRRESPONSIBLE UNQUOTE.

2. US DEL INCLUDING STATE AND DOD PRIVATELY APPROACHED BRAZILIAN DEL (AS LIKELY LEADER AND COORDINATOR OF LA'S VIEWS ON THIS MATTER) AND EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT BREADTH OF DECLARATIONS FAVORING OUTLAWING SATELLITES FOR MILITARY CONFIDENTIAL.

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PURPOSES. WE HAVE NOT ADDRESSED THIS TOPIC PUBLICLY AND MAY NOT HAVE TO AS LONG AS SOVS. CONTINUE TO BE HIGHLY SENSITIVE AND QUICK TO REACT.

3. IF SUBJECT ARISES IN THE CONTEXT OF PREPARATION OF FINAL REPORT, US DEL WOULD DRAW ON STATE 37810 TO ENSURE THAT REPORT IN NO WAY SUGGESTS EXCLUSION OF

ELIMINATION OF MILITARY USES. DEL WOULD APPRECIATE
ANY ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE ON THIS SUBJECT DEPARTMENT MAY
WISH TO OFFER.
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